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FOR WHITING FROM OPIC

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SUBJ: INVESTOR INTEREST - COTTON FARMING

1. ON JANUARY 29, JOE ALLEN, A JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI CONSULTING ENGINEER, ADVISED OPIC OF PLANS TO ARRIVE LA PAZ FEBRUARY 2 FOR INITIAL INVESTIGATION OF POSSIBLE NEW LARGE SCALE FARMING EFFORT IN SANTA CRUZ AREA. ALTHOUGH ALLEN HAS NEVER VISITED BOLIVIA, HE AND ASSOCIATES CONSIDERING INVESTING "ODLS 25 TO DOLS 50 MILLION" IN DEVELOPING 100,000 ACRES LEASED LAND FOR FARMING, PROBABLY COTTON. ALTHOUGH NOT A FARMER HIMSELF, ALLEN ADVISES THAT HIS PARTNERS AND FAMILY HAVE HAD SUBSTANTIAL COTTON FARMING EXPERIENCE IN MISSISSIPPI DELTA.

2. ALLEN PLANS TO CONTACT WHITING AT EMBASSY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4 PRIOR TO SANTA CRUZ VISIT. DO NOT BELIEVE ALLEN HAS ANY OTHER CONTACTS IN BOLIVIA. KISSINGER

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